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Thank you very much,  
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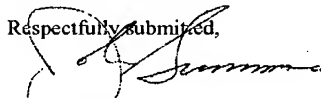
#### **Substance of the Interview**

In a telephone interview 11/17/2004 we discussed the apparent need to further split the original patent application into multiple species A,B,C,D,E,F, and G based on Figures 4A, 4B, 4C, 4D, 4E, 7A, and 7B respectively and select only one of them to be used in this patent. The others would have to be covered in continuations in part.

During the conversation I had difficulty selecting one illustration on which to base the patent because they had not originally been drawn to define a species but just to illustrate various points or features. I finally chose Fig. 4E because it showed several of the elements that were especially important to me. Those elements shown in that illustrated embodiment of the invention are: a carrier for a projectile, an acceleration means for the carrier (with projectile), a means to stop the carrier, a leveraging means to pass the carrier's energy to the projectile, and an ejector means.

I promised to follow up by submitting an election (copy attached) and faxed it to the Fax number provided in the office action the same day. I am not able to afford an attorney at this time but will respond promptly to any failures on my part to provide any additional information needed.

Respectfully submitted,



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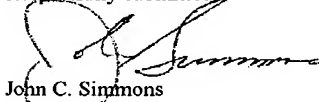
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### Response to Office Action

Per the office action sent 10/19/2004 and our conversation today, I have selected the species E listed in the office action. Figure 4E, of the drawings I provided, seems to best illustrate the species.

Respectfully submitted



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